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In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed June 30, 2004, Applicants elect, without traverse, **Group I (claims 1-6 and 51-57)**, drawn to a molecule or molecular complex, a crystal of *S. aureus* FemA, and a method for producing said crystal. Applicants' Representatives reserve the right to pursue examination of the non-elected claims in continuation or divisional applications. Applicants thank the Examiner for noting that when an elected product claim is found to be allowable, withdrawn process claims that depend from or otherwise include all the limitations of the allowable product claim will be rejoined in accordance with M.P.E.P. §821.04.


The Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' Representatives, at the below-listed telephone number, if there are any questions regarding this Response or if prosecution of this application may be assisted thereby.

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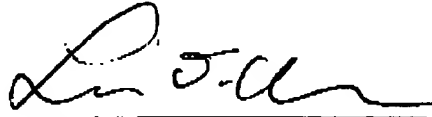
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